to ease the financial stringency of the State Government ?

THE MINSTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM) : (a) Government of Karnataka has submitted a Memorandum seeking Central assistance of atleast Rs. 200.00 crores for relief and rehablitation measures in the wake of floods in October, 1993.

(b) The expenditure on relief operations reported by the State Government exceeds the corpus of the State's Calamity Relief Fund.

(c) Government of India has released two instalments of Central share of Calamity Relief Fund amounting to Rs. 10.125 crores for the years 1994-95 in advance to enable the State Government to undertake relief and rehablitation measures.

Amendment of Central Cooperative Act

1573. SHRI IQBAL SINGH : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government is planning to amend the Central Cooperative Act to reduce its control over cooperative societies and ensure further democratisation of their activities;

(b) if so, the details thereof and reasons therefor ; and

(c) whether Government is committed to encouraging the cooperative movement to expand their activities in such a way as to be able to survive in the new competitive environment ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) It has been decided to amend Multi-State Cooperative Societies Act, 1984 in order to reduce control over Multi-State Cooperative Societies and to ensure autonomous functioning of such societies. The Act is being re-formulated on the lines of the recommendations of committee on, "Model Cooperatives Act". It is envisaged to reduce control in areas of : Supersession of Managing Committees; powers to issue directives; appointment of Chief Executives etc.

(c) Yes, Sir.

Financial Allocation for Promotion and Development of Oil Seeds

1574. SHRI M. A. BABY : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the financial allocation being made for the promotion and development of different oil seeds, with details of each category, during the last five years;

(b) whether coconut has been declared as on oil seed and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the special financial allocation being made for the promotion, development and research of coconut following it being declared as oil seed with details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR) : (a) Central allocation for the different oil seeds programmes during last five years were :

Year	Name of Programme	Central Allocation (Rs. in Crore)
1988-89	NODP	16.50
	OPTP	36.00
1989-90	NODP	16.50
	OPTP	36.00
1990-91	OPP	54.00
1991-92	OPP	64.00
1992-93	OPP	73.00

The States are authorised to utilise alloted amount for various oilseed crops as per their requirement.

(b) Coconut was declared as an oil seed of tree origin in October, 1990.

(c) The 8th Plan Outlay for Coconut Development if Rs. 79.29 Crores. In addition an amount of Rs. 67 lakhs has been earmarked during 8th Plan for establishment of Coconut Teghnology Development Centre being implemented by the Coconut Development Board to promote Research and Development efforts in the application of teghnological innovation in Coconut processing to complete the package of Coconut Teghnology ICAR has reported budget allocation of Rs. 9.267 crores for Coconut research during the VIII Plan period.

Increased Global Warming

1575. SHRI INDER KUMAR GUJRAL : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether his attention has been drawn to the fact that increased global warming is resulting in decreased grain production in India and other developing countries;

(b) whether a study sponsored by the U.S Environment Protection Agency has said that the results of these warming are "definitely negative" for India and whether the study has said that the grain yeild in India could go down by 10 to 20 per cent while some developing countries would be able to enhance their production; and

(c) whether the Government of India has recently not participated in the UN treaty to combat the global warming ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR) : (a) and (b) No, Sir. No confirmatory scientific findings are as yet available to support these statements.

(c) No, Sir. The Govt. of India has signed and ratified the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change.

Debaring Milk Producers from Competing in the World Market

1576. SHRI BHUPINDER SINGH MANN: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government envisage not to debar the milk producers of the country to compete in the world marked so as to step up milk production in the country ;

(b) if so by when; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM) : (a) There is no proposal with the Government to debar the milk producers of the country to compete in the world market so as to step up milk production in the country. The Government has also issued a public notice incorporating the amendment in the export of milk products according to which the export of dairy products has been de-canalised subject to quantitative ceiling in S.M.P. and ghee/butter, as may be notified by the Director General of Foreign Trade from time to time.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Total Subsidy to Farmers

1577. SHRI BHUPINDER SINGH MANN: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) what are the details to total subsidy being given to the farmers at present;

(b) what is the sum total of the subsidies if accounted alongwith the negative subsidy; and

(c) what would be the maximum amount on account of subsidies to the farmers which would not affect the ceiling of 10 per cent to the farmers under GATT negotiations ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM) : (a) The details of subsidies for agrigulture sector for 1991-92 (latest available) are as under :

	(Rs. crore)
1. Fertilizers . . .	5,205
2. Electricity . . .	4,401
3. Irrigation (Imputed) . .	4,630